

# **MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE** NOTICE OF REGULAR ELECTION, NOTICE OF ANCHORAGE VOTE **CENTERS, & NOTICE OF BONDED INDEBTEDNESS** April 2, 2024

A regular election of the Municipality of Anchorage will be held on Tuesday, April 2, 2024. The election is a vote at home/vote by mail election. Traditional polling places will not be open and are not an option for voting on Election Day. Voters may vote in person at an Anchorage Vote Center or call the Voter Hotline at 907-243-VOTE (8683) for other options to vote.

Ballot packages were mailed to qualified, registered voters at least twenty-one (21) days before Election Day. Registered voters of the State of Alaska who reside within the Municipality of Anchorage are eligible to vote in this election. The last day to register to vote or update your voter registration record was 30 days preceding the election or Sunday, March 3, 2024. Voters should follow the instructions included in the ballot package and follow these three steps: 1. Vote your ballot. Place your voted ballot into the secrecy sleeve and place the secrecy sleeve into your ballot return envelope. 2. Read and sign the voter declaration on the back of the ballot return envelope. 3. Return your ballot envelope in one of three ways: voters may (1) place the ballot return envelope in a Secure Drop Box located within the Municipality; (2) mail the ballot return envelope by using first-class postage through the United States Postal Service; or (3) bring the ballot return envelope to one of three Anchorage Vote Centers.

Voters may vote in person or obtain the following services at an Anchorage Vote Center: turn in a mailed ballot return envelope containing a voted ballot, receive and vote a ballot package, vote a questioned ballot, receive voting assistance, and get help with other voter questions.

# **Anchorage Vote Center Hours and Locations**

#### **ZJ Loussac Library** 3600 Denali Street, First Floor

All Municipal ballots will be available at this location. Weekdays, March 25 - April 1, 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Saturday, March 30, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Election Day, April 2, 7:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. Use Bus Routes 25, 85

# City Hall 632 West 6th Avenue, First Floor

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Election Day, April 2, 7:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Use Bus Routes 10, 11, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 41, 85, 92

# **Eagle River Town Center** Same building as the library 12001 Business Boulevard, Community Room #170

Only Chugiak-Eagle River ballots will be available at this location. Weekdays, March 25 – April 1, 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Saturday, March 30, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. **Election Day, April 2, 7:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.** 

Use Bus Route 92

Secure Drop Boxes have been open since March 12, 2024, for voters to return their ballot at any time before 8:00 p.m. on Election Day. For information and maps of the eighteen Secure Drop Boxes and the three Anchorage Vote Centers, visit <u>muni.org/elections/dropbox</u>.

## **Secure Ballot Drop Box Locations** Boxes are open 24/7 through 8:00 p.m. on April 2, 2024

- Anchorage School District Education Center, 5530 E. Northern Lights Boulevard - Use Bus Route 10
- Bartlett High School, 1101 Golden Bear Drive -Use Bus Route 25, 92
- Begich Middle School, 7440 Creekside Center Drive - Use Bus Routes 10, 25, 30, 31, 51
- City Hall Parking Lot, 632 W. 6th Avenue Use Bus Routes 10, 11, 20, 30, 25, 35, 40, 41, 85, 92
- Clark Middle School, 150 Bragaw Street Use Bus Routes 20, 21, 31
- Dimond High School, 2909 W. 88th Avenue -Use Bus Route 65
- Eagle River Town Center, 12001 Business Boulevard - Use Bus Route 92

- Girdwood Community Center, 250 Egloff Drive
- Loussac Library, 3600 Denali Street Use Bus Route 25, 85
- O'Malley's on the Green, 3651 O'Malley Road
- Planning and Development Center (MOA Permit Center), 4700 Elmore Road - Use Bus Route 25
- Service High School, 5577 Abbott Road
- South Anchorage High School, 13400 Elmore Road
  - Spenard Community Recreation Center, 2020 W. 48th Avenue
- **UAA Alaska Airlines Center, 3550 Providence** Drive - Use Bus Routes 10,20, 55

- Election Center, 619 E. Ship Creek Avenue
- Fairview Community Recreation Center, 1121 E. 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue *Use Bus Route 11*
- West High School, 1700 Hillcrest Drive Use Bus Routes 10, 40, 85

Candidates' names appear in a random, non-sequential order on the ballot. Voters may vote for candidates listed by marking the ballot within the oval opposite the written name, or by writing in the name of a person qualified to hold the office and by marking the oval opposite the write-in candidate's name.

## OFFICES TO BE FILLED AT THE REGULAR ELECTION ON APRIL 2, 2024 ARE AS FOLLOWS:

**MAYOR** – to be voted upon by all registered voters residing in the Municipality of Anchorage.

Popp, Bill
Tuck, Chris
Colbry, Darin
Craig, Breck
Darden, Dustin Thomas House
Danger, Nick
Di Grappa, Jenny
LaFrance, Suzanne
Bronson, Dave
Isley, Phil

ASSEMBLY - to be voted upon by all registered voters residing Assembly District 2.

# District 2, Seat A – Eagle River, Chugiak, JBER

Littlefield, Mark H.

**SCHOOL BOARD** – to be voted upon by all registered voters residing in the Municipality of Anchorage.

## **School Board Seat E**

Higgins, Pat Schuster, Kay

## **School Board Seat F**

Frank, Angela Wilson, Dora

## **School Board Seat G**

Pohland, Chelsea Jacobs, Carl

**SERVICE AREAS** - to be voted upon by all registered voters residing in the respective service area. To become a qualified write-in candidate, a person may file a declaration of candidacy with the Municipal Clerk up to seven (7) days before the election, or by March 26, 2024.

# Bear Valley LRSA - Seat C

Ennis, William

# Birch Tree/Elmore LRSA - Seat B

Sherman, Luke

#### Chugiak Fire Service Area - Seat B

# Girdwood Valley Service Area - Seat A

Wingard, Jennifer

#### Girdwood Valley Service Area - Seat B

Burnett, Brian

# Glen Alps Service Area - Seat E

Connolly, Joseph

#### Homestead LRSA - Seat C

Hoffman, Kristy

#### Lakehill LRSA - Seat B

# Mt. Park Estates LRSA - Seat A

Percy, Heather

## Mt. Park/Robin Hill RRSA - Seat A

# Mt. Park/Robin Hill RRSA - Seat B

Bassler, Thomas

Paradise Valley South LRSA - Seat C

Rabbit Creek View/Heights LRSA – Seat A Lipps, David

Raven Woods/Bubbling Brook LRSA - Seat A

Rockhill LRSA - Seat A

Section 6/Campbell Airstrip Road LRSA – Seat B Johnson, Eric

Section 6/Campbell Airstrip Road LRSA – Seat C Walker, Jack

Sequoia Estates LRSA - Seat E

Skyranch Estates LRSA - Seat A

**South Goldenview RRSA – Seat B** Culhane, Tim

South Goldenview RRSA – Seat C Lemon, Marty

SRW Homeowners' LRSA - Seat A

Talus West LRSA – Seat B

Winsor, Anthony

**Totem LRSA – Seat C** Higgins, Patrice Giammalva, Pamela

**Upper Grover LRSA – Seat A** Cottrell, Jim

Upper O'Malley LRSA - Seat B

Upper O'Malley LRSA - Seat E

Valli Vue Estates LRSA – Seat A Loeffler, Drew

Valli Vue Estates LRSA – Seat D Sallee, Diane

Villages Scenic Parkway LRSA - Seat C

# **PROPOSITIONS**

#### PROPOSITION NO. 1

# CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT BONDS

For the purpose of providing educational capital improvements, construction, upgrades, planning, design, and renovation of school facilities and educational facility building life extension projects within Anchorage, as provided in AO 2023-123, shall Anchorage borrow money and issue up to \$62,370,000 in principal amount of general obligation bonds?

The general obligation bond proceeds will be used to pay costs of constructing, renovating, installing, planning, designing, acquiring, and equipping educational capital improvement projects including, but not limited to, roof replacements, structural, and seismic upgrades at Alpenglow Elementary School, Central Middle School, and Chugiak High School; construction of security vestibules and security improvements at Kasuun, Lake Hood, and Klatt Elementary Schools; renovation design for Romig Middle School; replacement of Inlet View Elementary School; and planning and design for 2024/2025 projects.

Voter approval of this bond proposition authorizes for each \$100,000 of assessed taxable property value (based on the estimated 2024 assessed valuation) an annual increase in taxes of approximately \$12.69 to retire the proposed bonds.

The debt will be paid from real and personal property taxes levied and collected areawide in Anchorage. Anchorage will also pledge its full faith and credit for payment of the bonds. (AO 2023-123)

#### PROPOSITION NO. 2

# AMENDING THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL CHARTER TO REQUIRE ASSEMBLY CONFIRMATION OF THE CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER OF THE MUNICIPALITY

This proposition would amend the Anchorage Municipal Charter to read as follows (<u>underline and bolded words</u> are proposed new words):

#### Section 5.02. – Powers of the mayor.

(a) The mayor shall appoint all heads of municipal departments <u>and the chief medical officer of the municipality</u>, subject to confirmation by the assembly, on the basis of professional qualifications. Persons appointed by the mayor serve at the pleasure of the mayor.

Shall the Anchorage Municipal Charter be amended as set forth above? (AO 2023-128)

#### PROPOSITION NO. 3

## ANCHORAGE ROADS AND DRAINAGE SERVICE AREA ROADS AND STORM DRAINAGE BONDS

For the purpose of providing roads and storm drainage capital acquisition, construction, renovation and upgrades in the Anchorage Roads and Drainage Service Area, as provided in AO 2024-4, shall Anchorage borrow money and issue up to \$47,110,000 in principal amount of general obligation bonds and increase the municipal tax cap by an annual amount not to exceed \$48,000 to pay for associated annual operations and maintenance costs?

Voter approval of this bond proposition authorizes for each \$100,000 of assessed taxable property value (based on the estimated 2024 assessed valuation in the Anchorage Roads and Drainage Service Area): (i) an annual increase in taxes of approximately \$12.43 to retire the proposed bonds, and (ii) an annual increase in the municipal tax cap (Charter 14.03(b)(2)) of approximately \$0.17 to pay for annual operation and maintenance costs related to the proposed capital improvements.

The debt shall be paid from real and personal property taxes levied and collected within the Anchorage Roads and Drainage Service Area, without cost to properties in Chugiak, Eagle River, Girdwood and other areas outside the Service Area. The Municipality will also pledge its full faith and credit for payment of the debt. (AO 2024-4)

#### PROPOSITION NO. 4

#### ANCHORAGE PARKS AND RECREATION SERVICE AREA CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BONDS

For the purpose of renovating and rehabilitating trails and parks, and making improvements at various parks and recreational facilities in the Anchorage Parks and Recreation Service Area, as provided in AO 2024-7, shall Anchorage borrow money and issue up to \$4,350,000 in principal amount of general obligation bonds and increase the municipal tax cap by an annual amount not to exceed \$241,000 to pay for associated annual operations and maintenance costs?

Voter approval of this bond proposition authorizes for each \$100,000 of assessed taxable property value (based on the estimated 2024 assessed valuation in the Anchorage Parks and Recreation Service Area): (i) an annual increase in taxes of approximately \$1.04 to retire the proposed bonds, and (ii) an annual increase in the municipal tax cap (Charter 14.03(b)(2)) of approximately \$0.75 to pay for annual operation and maintenance costs related to the proposed capital improvements.

The debt shall be paid from real and personal property taxes levied and collected within the Anchorage Parks and Recreation Service Area, without cost to properties in Chugiak, Eagle River, Girdwood, and other areas outside the Service Area. The Municipality will also pledge its full faith and credit for payment of the bonds. (AO 2024-7)

# PROPOSITION NO. 5

# **ANCHORAGE METROPOLITAN POLICE SERVICE AREA BONDS**

For the purpose of reconstructing the roof and renovating the heating delivery system at APD Elmore Station in the Anchorage Metropolitan Police Service Area as provided in AO 2024-3, shall Anchorage borrow money and issue up to \$1,500,000 in principal amount of general obligation bonds?

Voter approval of this bond proposition authorizes for each \$100,000 of assessed taxable property value (based on the estimated 2024 assessed valuation in the Anchorage Metropolitan Police Service Area) an annual increase in taxes of approximately \$0.31 to retire the proposed bonds.

The debt shall be paid from real and personal property taxes levied and collected within the Anchorage Metropolitan Police Service Area, which consists of areas north of McHugh Creek (other than Fire Island), without cost to properties in Girdwood, Bird, Indian, Rainbow, Portage and other areas outside the Service Area. The Municipality will also pledge its full faith and credit for payment of the bonds. (AO 2024-3)

# PROPOSITION NO. 6

# AREAWIDE PUBLIC SAFETY AND TRANSIT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BONDS

For the purpose of acquiring new replacement ambulances; acquiring and replacing transit vehicles and support equipment; undertaking signal system, signage, traffic calming, and safety improvements; and undertaking school zone safety improvements, bus stop improvements, and improvements to transit facilities and centers, in Anchorage as provided in AO 2024-8(S), As Amended, shall Anchorage borrow money and issue up to \$4,560,000 in principal amount of general obligation bonds and increase the municipal tax cap by an annual amount not to exceed \$125,000 to pay for associated annual operations and maintenance costs?

Voter approval of this bond proposition authorizes for each \$100,000 of assessed taxable property value (based on the estimated 2024 areawide assessed valuation in Anchorage): (i) an annual increase in taxes of approximately \$0.93 to retire the proposed bonds, and (ii) an annual increase in the municipal tax

cap (Charter 14.03(b)(2)) of approximately \$0.33 to pay for annual operation and maintenance costs related to the proposed capital improvements.

The debt shall be paid from real and personal property taxes levied and collected areawide within Anchorage. The Municipality will also pledge its full faith and credit for payment of the bonds. (AO 2024-8(S), As Amended)

#### PROPOSITION NO. 7

#### AREAWIDE CEMETERY CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT BONDS

For the purpose of providing areawide cemetery equipment and areawide cemetery capital improvements within the Municipality of Anchorage, including Anchorage Memorial Park, Girdwood Cemetery and Eagle River Cemetery, as provided in AO 2024-5(S), shall Anchorage borrow money and issue up to \$4,100,000 in principal amount of general obligation bonds and increase the municipal tax cap by an annual amount not to exceed \$5,000 to pay for associated annual operations and maintenance costs?

Voter approval of this bond proposition authorizes for each \$100,000 of assessed taxable property value (based on the estimated 2024 areawide assessed valuation in Anchorage): (i) an annual increase in taxes of approximately \$0.83 to retire the proposed bonds, and (ii) an annual increase in the municipal tax cap (Charter 14.03(b)(2)) of approximately \$0.01 to pay for annual operation and maintenance costs related to the proposed equipment and capital improvements.

The debt shall be paid from real and personal property taxes levied and collected areawide within Anchorage. The Municipality will also pledge its full faith and credit for payment of the bonds. (AO 2024-5(S))

# PROPOSITION NO. 8 AREAWIDE PUBLIC RESTROOM BONDS

For the purpose of providing areawide public restrooms within the Municipality of Anchorage, of The Portland Loo type or similar, as provided in AO 2023-114(S-1), As Amended, shall Anchorage borrow money and issue up to \$5,000,000 in principal amount of general obligation bonds and increase the municipal tax cap by an annual amount not to exceed \$300,000 to pay for associated annual operations and maintenance costs?

Voter approval of this bond proposition authorizes for each \$100,000 of assessed taxable property value (based on the estimated 2024 areawide assessed valuation in Anchorage): (i) an annual increase in taxes of approximately \$1.01 to retire the proposed bonds, and (ii) an annual increase in the municipal tax cap (Charter 14.03(b)(2)) of approximately \$0.79 to pay for annual operation and maintenance costs related to the proposed capital improvements.

The debt shall be paid from real and personal property taxes levied and collected areawide within Anchorage. The Municipality will also pledge its full faith and credit for payment of the bonds. (AO 2023-114(S-1), As Amended)

# PROPOSITION NO. 9

## **CHUGACH STATE PARK ACCESS SERVICE AREA BONDS**

For the purpose of providing public access improvements to roads and for parking to trailheads of the Chugach State Park and within the Chugach State Park Access Service Area, including Canyon Road, as provided in AO 2023-132(S), shall Anchorage borrow money and issue up to \$4,000,000 in principal amount of general obligation bonds?

Voter approval of this bond proposition authorizes for each \$100,000 of assessed taxable property value (based on the estimated 2024 assessed valuation in the Chugach State Park Access Service Area) an annual increase in taxes of approximately \$0.95 to retire the proposed bonds.

The debt shall be paid from real and personal property taxes levied and collected within the Chugach State Park Access Service Area, without cost to properties outside the Service Area. The Municipality will also pledge its full faith and credit for payment of the debt. (AO 2023-132(S))

# Other information about the April 2, 2024 Regular Municipal Election

**Instructions for registration:** An individual may register to vote at any library within the Municipality, the State of Alaska Region II Election Office, the Municipal Clerk's Office, the MOA Election Center, or the State of Alaska, Division of Motor Vehicles. To be a qualified voter, the individual must reside in Anchorage and be registered to vote 30 days before the election. The last day to register was Sunday, March 3, 2024, for the April 2, 2024 Regular Municipal Election.

In person voting is available at Anchorage Vote Centers beginning on Monday, March 25 through April 2, 2024. Weekday hours are 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Saturday hours are 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Anchorage Vote Centers will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Election Day, April 2, 2024. If you will be unable to receive a mailed ballot package between March 12 and April 2, please call the Voter Hotline at 907-243-VOTE (8683) to learn about other voting options.

**Description of precinct boundaries:** Litigation regarding the State of Alaska 2021 Redistricting Plan has been concluded; however, descriptions of the election district precinct boundaries' have not been finalized in the Alaska Administrative Code. In the meantime, election district voting precincts are depicted on maps approved and adopted by the Division of Elections in the Division's document titled Voting Precinct Maps, dated June 20, 2022. The maps can be found online at <a href="https://www.elections.alaska.gov/research/district-maps/">www.elections.alaska.gov/research/district-maps/</a> and at the State of Alaska Region II Election Office, 2525 Gambell St., Anchorage, Alaska 99503.

Inquiries regarding this election should be directed to the MOA Election Center, 619 East Ship Creek Avenue, Door D, Anchorage, Alaska 99501, or the Municipal Clerk's Office, City Hall, 632 W. 6th Avenue, Suite 250, Anchorage, Alaska 00501, phone 907-243-VOTE (8683), email <a href="mailto:elections@anchorageak.gov">elections@anchorageak.gov</a>. Detailed information is also available at <a href="mailto:muni.org/elections">muni.org/elections</a>.

/s/ William Northrop, Acting Election Administrator /s/ Jamie Heinz, Municipal Clerk

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